

Notes and Examples for Part 5:

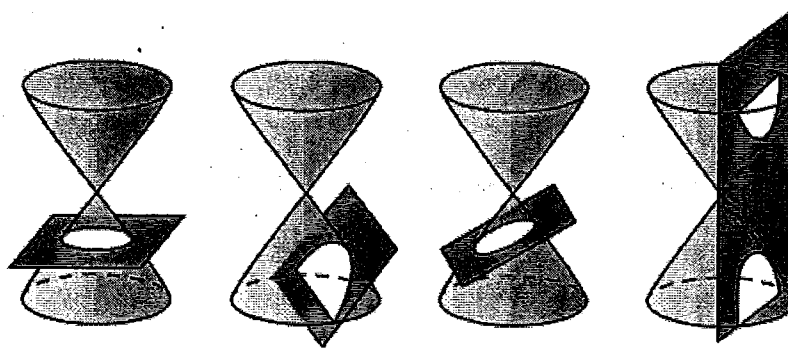
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Conic Sections Reference Sheet

Take note

Key Concept Conic Sections

A **conic section** is a curve you get by intersecting a plane and a double cone. By changing the inclination of the plane, you can get a circle, a parabola, an ellipse, or a hyperbola.

**Conic Sections**

Circle	$(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$	center (h, k) $r = \text{radius}$	
Parabola	$y = a(x - h)^2 + k$	axis of symmetry $x = h$ directrix $y = k - \frac{1}{4a}$	vertex (h, k) focus $(h, k + \frac{1}{4a})$
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Ellipse	$\frac{(x - h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y - k)^2}{b^2} = 1$	foci $(h \pm c, k)$ where $c^2 = a^2 - b^2$, center (h, k)	
Ellipse	$\frac{(y - k)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(x - h)^2}{b^2} = 1$	foci $(h, k \pm c)$ where $c^2 = a^2 - b^2$, center (h, k)	
Hyperbola	$\frac{(x - h)^2}{a^2} - \frac{(y - k)^2}{b^2} = 1$	foci $(h \pm c, k)$ where $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$, center (h, k)	
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Parabolas

Definition of Parabola: set of all points in a plane that are the same distance from a given point (focus) and a given line (directrix)

Form of Equation	$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$	$x = a(y-k)^2 + h$
Vertex	(h, k)	(h, k)
Axis of Symmetry	$x = h$	$y = k$
Focus	$(h, k + \frac{1}{4a})$	$(h + \frac{1}{4a}, k)$
Directrix	$y = k - \frac{1}{4a}$	$x = h - \frac{1}{4a}$
Direction of Opening	Up if $a > 0$ Down if $a < 0$	Right if $a > 0$ Left if $a < 0$
Length of Latus Rectum (LLR)	$ \frac{1}{a} $ units	$ \frac{1}{a} $ units

1. $3(y-3) = (x+6)^2$
 $y = \text{equation}$

① solve for y

$$y - 3 = \frac{1}{3}(x+6)^2$$

$$y = \frac{1}{3}(x+6)^2 + 3$$

opens up!

② vertex: $(-6, 3)$

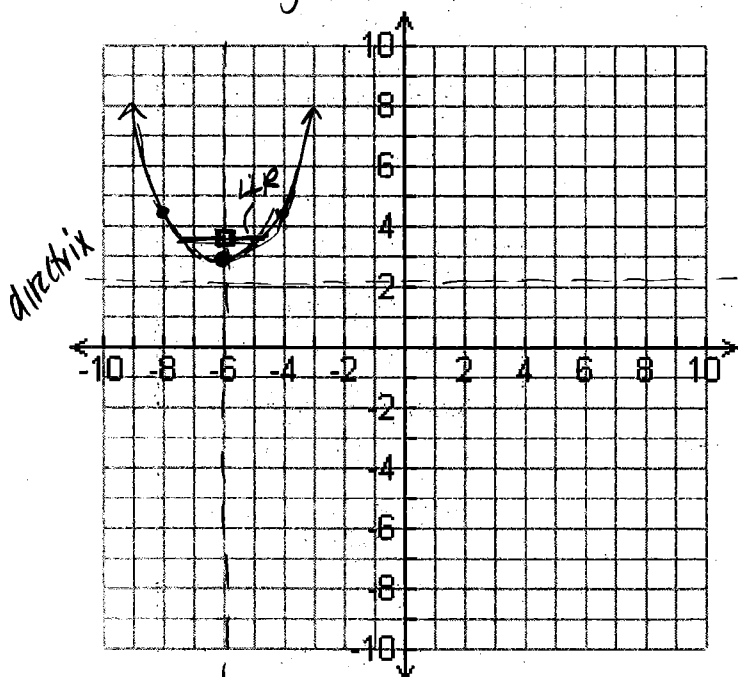
ADS: $x = -6$

Focus: $(h, k + \frac{1}{4a})$

$$(-6, 3 + \frac{1}{4(1/3)}) = (-6, 3\frac{3}{4})$$

Directrix: $y = k - \frac{1}{4a} = 3 - \frac{1}{4(1/3)}$
 $y = 2\frac{1}{4}$

LLR: $|\frac{1}{1/3}| = 3$



ADS

* graph in calculator to check !! *

$x =$ opens horizontally

$$2. \quad x = \frac{1}{4}(y+2)^2 + 3$$

Vertex: $(3, -2)$

AOS: $y = -2$

Focus: $(h + \frac{1}{4a}, k)$

$$(3 + \frac{1}{4(1/4)}, -2)$$

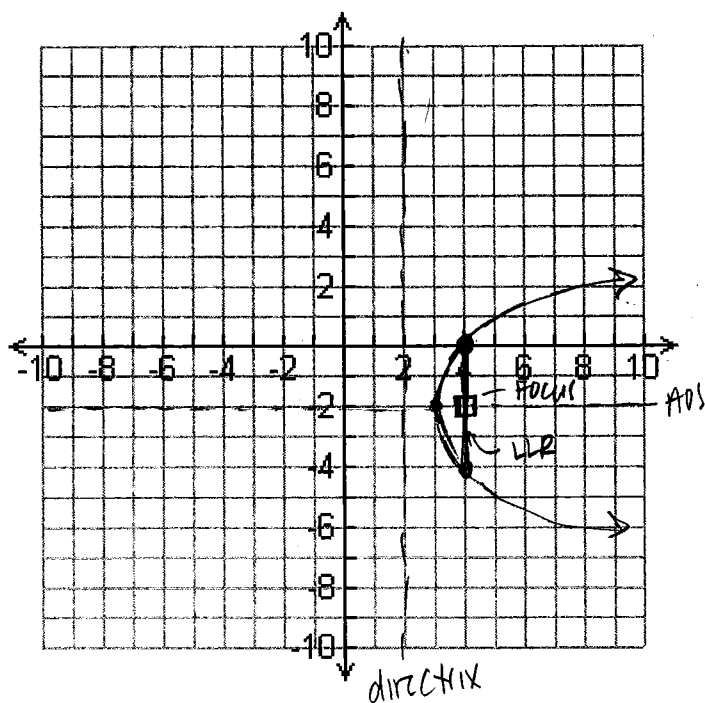
$$= (3+1, -2) = (4, -2)$$

Directrix: $x = h - \frac{1}{4a} = 3 - \frac{1}{4(1/4)}$

$$x = 2$$

LLR: $|\frac{1}{1/4}| = 4$ units

opens right!



$x =$ opens horizontally

complete the square!!

$$3. \quad 4x = y^2 + 2y + 13$$

$$4x - 13 + 1 = y^2 + 2y + 1$$

$$4x - 12 = (y+1)(y+1)$$

$$4x - 12 = (y+1)^2$$

$$\frac{4x}{4} = \frac{(y+1)^2 + 12}{4}$$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{1}{4}(y+1)^2 + 3}$$

Vertex: $(3, -1)$

AOS: $y = -1$

Focus: $(h + \frac{1}{4a}, k)$

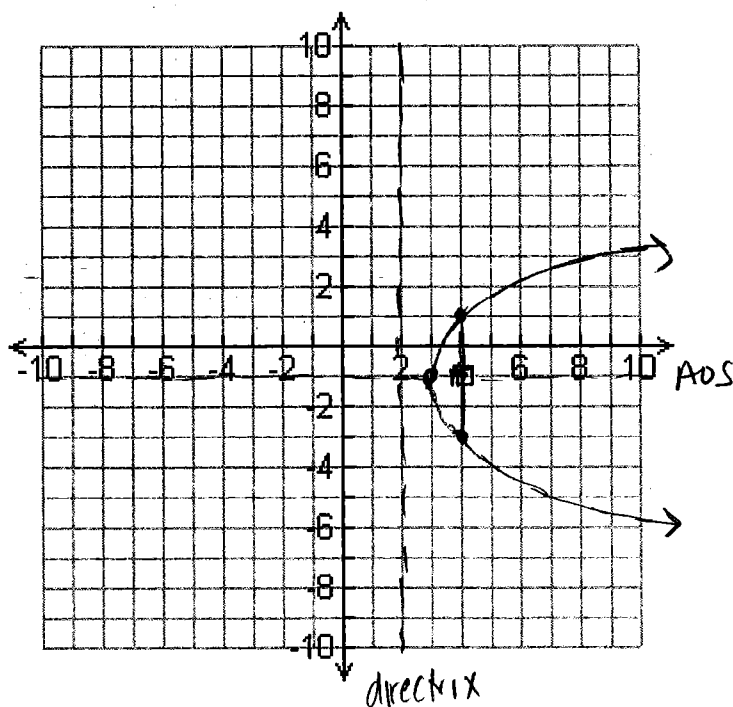
$$(3 + \frac{1}{4(1/4)}, -1) = (3+1, -1)$$

$$(4, -1)$$

Directrix: $x = h - \frac{1}{4a}$

$$x = 3 - 1 \quad x = 2$$

LLR: $|\frac{1}{1/4}| = 4$ units



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Write an equation for the each parabola described below. Then draw the graph.

4. Vertex $(5, -1)$; focus $(3, -1)$

① plot the points

② opens left ($x = -$)

③ focus = $(h + \frac{1}{4a}, k)$ need a
 $= (5 + \frac{1}{4a}, -1)$

$3 = 5 + \frac{1}{4a}$
 $-\frac{2}{5} = \frac{1}{4a}$
 $4a \cdot -\frac{2}{5} = \frac{1}{4a} \cdot 4a$
 $-8a = 1$

$a = -\frac{1}{8}$

④ equation: $x = -\frac{1}{8}(y + 1)^2 + 5$

5. Vertex $(3, -7)$, directrix $y = -7\frac{1}{16}$

① plot the point & line

② opens up ($y = +$)

③ directrix: $y = k - \frac{1}{4a}$

$y = -7 - \frac{1}{4a}$

$-7\frac{1}{16} = -7 - \frac{1}{4a}$

$-\frac{1}{16} = -\frac{1}{4a}$

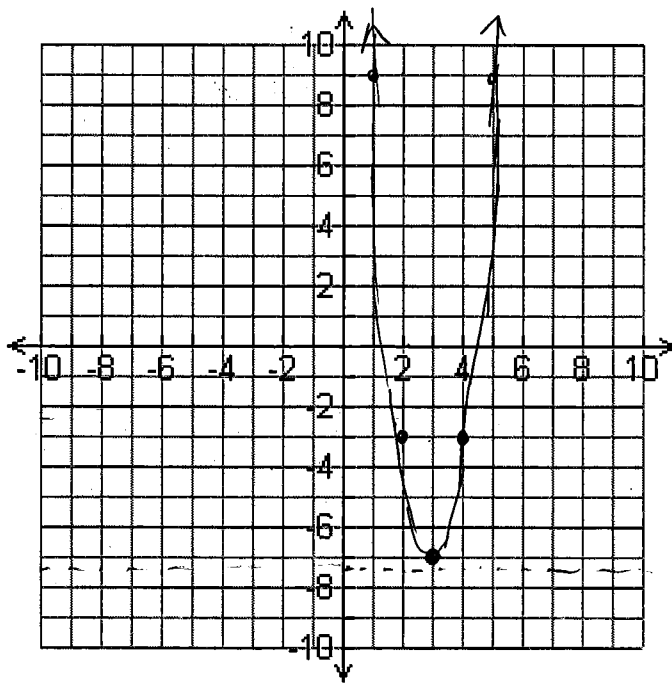
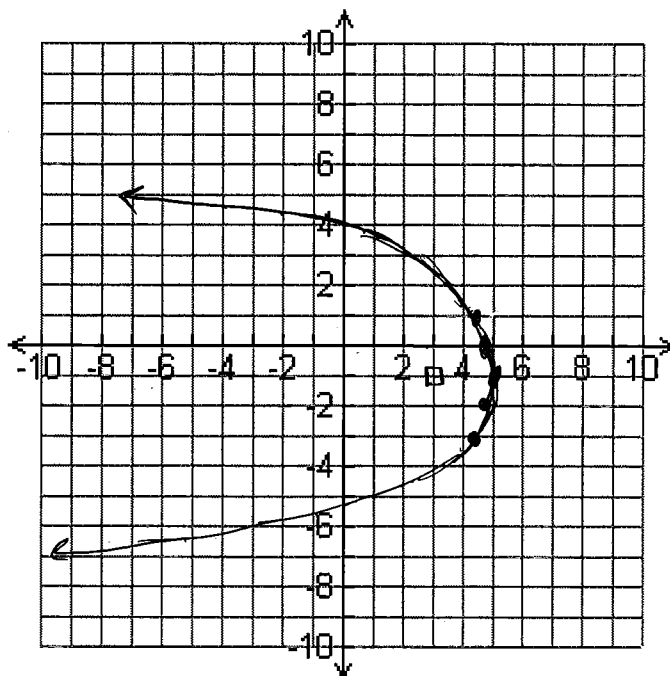
$a = 4$

④ equation: $y = 4(x - 3)^2 - 7$

⑤

x	y
3	-7
2	-3
1	9

or graph \rightarrow TABLE



Circles

Definition: A circle is the set of all points in a plane that are equidistant from a given point in the plane, called the center.

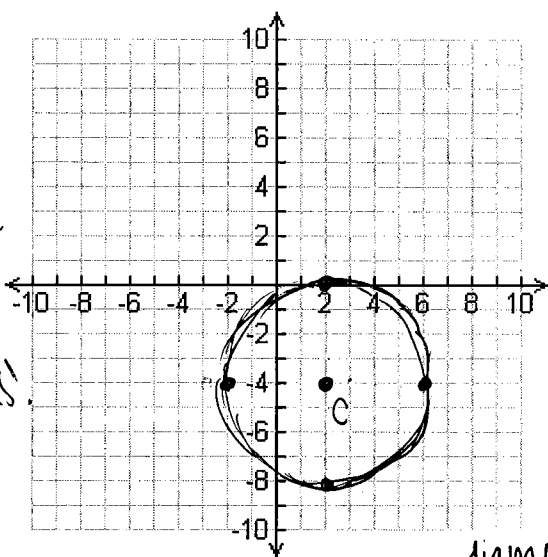
Standard form of a circle, with center (h, k) and radius r units is: $(x-h)^2 + (y-k)^2 = r^2$

Examples

Find the center and radius of the circle with the given equations. Then graph the circle.

1. $(x-2)^2 + (y+4)^2 = 16$

$(2, -4)$
 $r = 4$

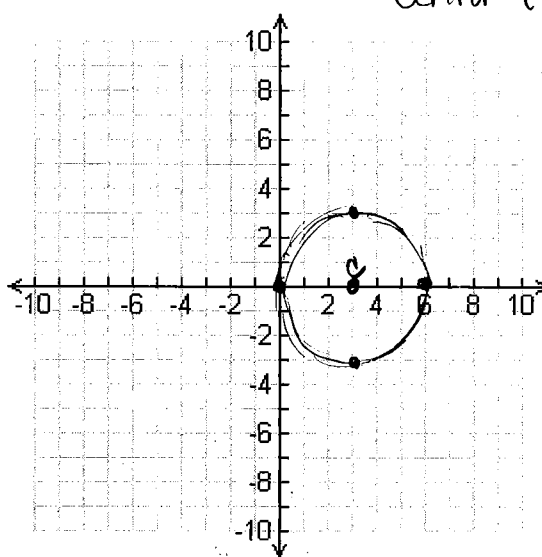


tangent
to the
x-axis!

no diamonds!

2. $(x-3)^2 + y^2 = 9$

center: $(3, 0)$
 $r = 3$



tangent
to the
y-axis!

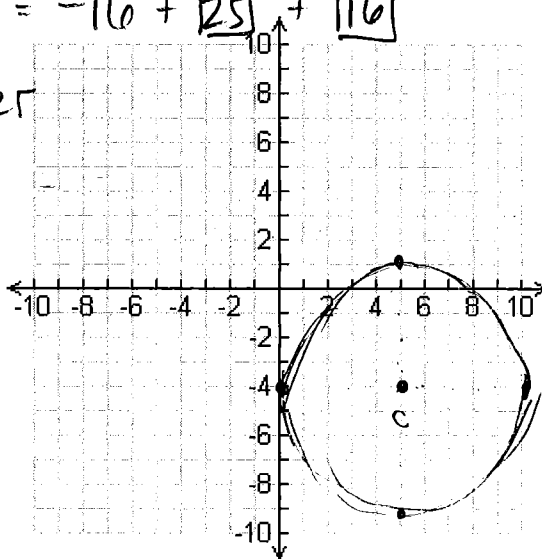
3. $x^2 + y^2 - 10x + 8y + 16 = 0$

$x^2 - 10x + \boxed{(-5)^2} + y^2 + 8y + \boxed{(4)^2} = -16 + \boxed{25} + \boxed{16}$

$(x-5)(x-5) + (y+4)(y+4) = 25$

$(x-5)^2 + (y+4)^2 = 5^2$

center
 $(5, -4)$ $r = 5$



4. $x^2 + y^2 + 4x - 6y = 10$

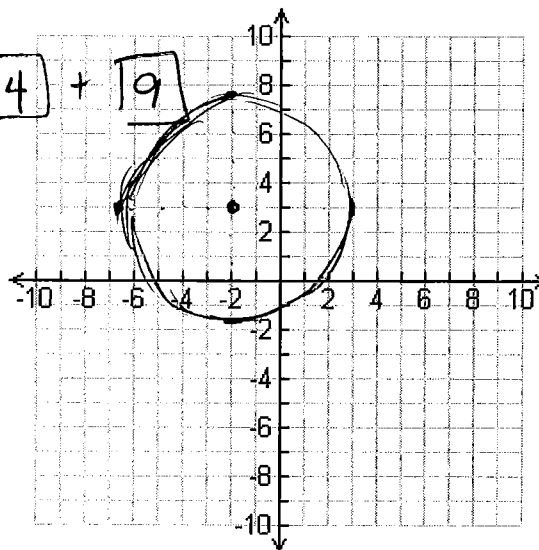
$$x^2 + 4x + \boxed{(2)^2} + y^2 - 6y + \boxed{(3)^2} = 10 + \boxed{4} + \boxed{9}$$

$$(x+2)(x+2) + (y-3)(y-3) = 23$$

$$(x+2)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 23$$

center
(-2, 3)

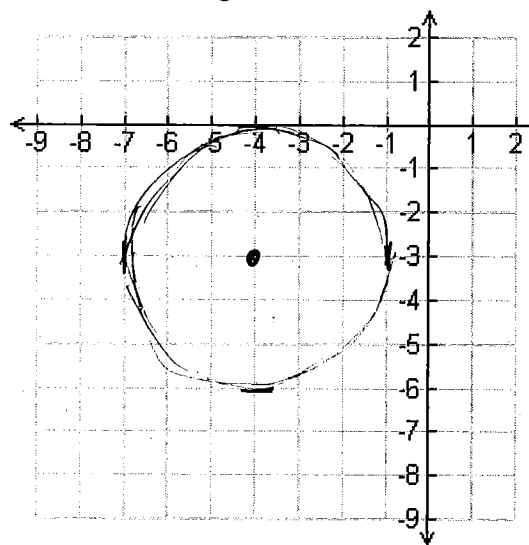
$$r = \sqrt{23} \\ \approx 4.80$$



5. Write an equation for a circle with center at $(-4, -3)$ that is tangent to the...

a. x-axis radius = 3

$$(x+4)^2 + (y+3)^2 = 9$$



b. y-axis radius = 4

$$(x+4)^2 + (y+3)^2 = 16$$

6. Write an equation for a circle if the endpoints of a diameter are at $(2, 8)$ and $(2, -2)$.

center = (2, 3) $r = 5$

$$(x-2)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 25$$

